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6 May 14

Alex Jackson
The Capital
2000 Capital Drive
Annapolis, MD. 21401

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT CASE # DON-NAVY-2014-005626

Dear Mr. Jackson:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request dated May 5th, 2014, in which you request a copy of the full results from the NCIS investigation into Midshipman Max Allen's death or related documents. Your request was assigned case # DON-NAVY-2014-005626.

Your request has been placed in our queue for processing. Some of the documents you requested are under the cognizance of the Naval Criminal Investigative Service ("NCIS"). Accordingly, our office has forwarded your request to NCIS for processing. A copy of our letter to NCIS is enclosed. They will respond directly to you. Our office will still conduct a search for responsive documentation subject to Naval Academy release.

Because the cost of processing your request was under the minimum statutory threshold for imposition of fees, there is no charge associated with this request. Please note that any future requests will be subject to an individual assessment regarding fees and fee waivers.

If you feel that this is not responsive to your request, you are advised of your right to appeal in writing to the Office of the General Counsel, Department of the Navy, Attn: FOIA Appeals, Rm 4E635, 1000 Navy Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20350-1000. In order to be considered, your appeal must be postmarked within 60 calendar days from the date of this letter. Both the appeal letter and the envelope should bear the notation, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." A copy of your original request and this letter should accompany your appeal, along with any information you have that leads you to believe the records do exist, including where they might be found, if the location is known to you. If you have any questions regarding this request, you may email me at FOIA@usna.edu.

Sincerely,

J. L. Blazek
LT, JAGC, USN
By Direction



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From: Superintendent, U.S. Naval Academy
To: Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS)
ATTN: FOIA (Code 00LJF)
27130 Telegraph Rd.
Quantico, VA. 22134

Subj: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST # DON-NAVY-2014-005626

Encl: (1) Alex Jackson, The Capital, ltr of 5 May 14

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded as a matter under your cognizance for direct response to the requester. The U.S. Naval Academy will similarly search for any responsive documentation under U.S. Naval Academy control and respond to the requester.
2. Enclosure (1) was received in this office on 5 May 2014.
3. Any questions regarding this request can be directed to me at foia@usna.edu.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. L. Blazek", is positioned above the typed name.

J. L. Blazek
LT, JAGC, USN
By Direction

LT Blazek

From: John Schofield <jschofie@usna.edu>
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2014 4:02 PM
To: LT Blazek
Cc: Rob O'Neill
Subject: FW: FOIA request re: Midn. Max Allen's death

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FYI below.

From: Alex Jackson [mailto:ajackson@capgaznews.com]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2014 1:59 PM
To: John Schofield
Subject: FOIA request re: Midn. Max Allen's death

Dear Cmdr. Schofield,
This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.
I request that a copy of the following documents [or documents containing the following information] be provided to me:
The full results from the NCIS investigation into Midn. Max Allen's death.
In order to help to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that I am a representative of the news media affiliated with the The Capital newspaper, and this request is made as part of news gathering and not for a commercial use.
Thank you for your consideration of this request.
Sincerely,

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